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...use of gene expression profiles obtained in vitro from patient samples for differentiating between the non-infectious and infectious causes of multiple organ failure. The invention also relates to a method for measuring gene expression profiles in vitro

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